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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

**[0001]** In a telephone discussion (on October 8, 2008), the Examiner indicated that the proposed claim amendments appeared to overcome the cited references, but stated that further review would be necessary. Amendments are presented herein based on the discussion with the Examiner.

**[0002]** This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.